

PALOS VERDES HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM PROPOSAL PUBLIC WORKSHOP

February 1, 2023





INTRODUCTIONS

- Cory Linder, Recreation and Parks Director
- Matt Waters, R&P Senior Administrative Analyst
- Dana Graham PV Historical Society President



AGENDA

- Presentation by Staff/Overview of Project Status
 - Review of 11-15 City Council Meeting and Council Direction
 - Matrix of Park Locations
 - Estimate of Expenses
- Presentation by PV Historical Society
- Public Comments/Questions
- Distribution of Comment/Response Cards



BACKGROUND

- Palos Verdes Historical Society (PVHS) was founded in 1976
- Operated at Malaga Cove School till 2006
- Most of its collection currently stored at the Ken Dyda Civic Center
- PVHS approached City about identifying a location
- Lower Point Vicente is the PVHS' preferred location



POTENTIAL LOCATIONS

Park Site	Suff. Space	Usable Slope/Grade	Parking	CA Coastal Comm.	Land Use	Constraints/Comments
Abalone Cove	Yes	Yes	Additional parking needed. Hourly rate for parking.	Yes	Rec. Passive Open Space Preserve	Located by a state designated Ecological Reserve. Parking lot is fully used during the spring and summer months. Driveway ingress and egress would need to be improved
Upper Hesse	No	Yes	Additional parking needed	No	Rec. Active	Only sufficient flat area occupied by sports field use
Lower Hesse	Yes	Yes	Additional parking needed	No	Rec. Active	Passive uses are preferred by residents and confirmed by City Council. Recent passive improvements
Ryan Park	Yes	No	Additional parking needed. limited area for on-site parking	No	Rec. Active	Only sufficient flat area occupied by a baseball field
Eastview	Yes	Yes	Additional parking is likely needed	No	Rec. Passive	Park owned by County Sanitation District
Ladera Linda	Yes	Yes	Additional parking is needed	No	Institutional Public	In current development. Adding a museum would take away a significant portion of open areas or recreational facilities



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Park Site	Suff. Space	Usable Slope/ Grade	Parking	CA Coastal Comm.	Land Use	Constraints/Comments
Ken Dyda Civic Ctr.	Yes	Yes	Additional parking could be accommodated. Study needed.	No	Rec. Passive, Institutional Public, and Open Space Preserve	Included in Council-approved program document. Possible use of Nike missile silos as exhibit space. Site is currently in the master plan process. Subject to Federal POU.
Lower Pt. Vicente	Yes	Yes	Additional parking could be accommodated. Study needed	Yes	Rec. Passive & Open Space Preserve	Site under the oversight of Federal Program of Utilization, Lead contamination concerns. Resident concerned about coastal development. Near proposed outdoor docent exhibits.
Del Cerro Park	Yes	Yes	Additional parking needed	No	Rec. Passive	Significant neighborhood concerns regarding existing parking/traffic. Subject to Federal Program of Utilization.
Grandview Park	Yes	Yes	Street Parking Only	No	Rec. Passive	Not centrally located in RPV. <u>Undeveloped park</u> . Limited driveway ingress and egress



CITY COUNCIL DIRECTION

City Council did not approve Museum concept on 11-15

Directed staff to:

- Focus on Civic Center and Lower Point Vicente sites
- Research staffing and operations and maintenance (O&M) costs
- Perform public outreach to determine level of support



FINANCIAL DISCUSSION

PVHS said they would be able to pay for construction of site-primarily through unnamed donor

PVHS would deed property to City after construction

PVHS proposing that City would be responsible for staffing, operations, and maintenance

PVHS proposing to expand Docent program to provide educational services



PROJECTED COST ESTIMATES

Estimated annual staffing costs: **\$ 280,000**
(full-time and part-time)

Estimated annual operations and maintenance costs: **\$100,000**
(includes est. utilities, janitorial, operating supplies, maintenance)

Estimated annual total \$ 380,000

Current 2023 Estimates: Costs will likely increase over time



OTHER HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS

Other collections of Palos Verdes artifacts could be displayed at a future museum site

- **Los Serenos de Point Vicente:** Significant cultural, historical, geologic, and marine mammal artifacts in storage
- **Former Discovery Room:** Collection of natural artifacts in storage. Only a fraction will be displayed at Ladera Linda Community Park
- **Vanderlip Family Collection:** Archives, art, furniture, art etc. from Villa Narcissa



PVHS PRESENTATION

PALOS VERDES HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTATION



COMMENT CARDS

Is it important that the City of Rancho Palos Verdes have a historical museum? Circle your response: Yes No

How likely would it be that you would visit a historical museum in Rancho Palos Verdes? (1 being least likely, 5 being most likely): Circle Your Response:

1-----2-----3-----4-----5

What is preferred location for a potential historical museum?

Circle Your Response:

- A. Ken Dyda Civic Center (RPV City Hall)
- B. Lower Point Vicente Park
- C. No opinion

Indicate your level of support for a historical museum if it was paid for with private funds but operated and staffed at City expense? (1 being lowest level of support, 5 the highest level of support) Circle Your Response:

1-----2-----3-----4-----5

- General Comments



NEXT STEPS

- Comments and Responses received tonight will be presented to City Council.
- The City Council is scheduled to consider this item on Tuesday February 21 7pm at Hesse Park
- The public is encouraged to attend virtually or in person.
- Go to the [rpvca.gov](https://rpvca.gov/agendas) agendas link for more information: Staff report ready by February 14



QUESTIONS/COMMENTS



THANK YOU FOR PARTICIPATING IN TONIGHT'S WORKSHOP

For additional information or to submit additional comments: Contact Matt Waters at 310-544-5260 or email mattw@rpvca.gov